## Marian J. Mohr Memorial Library Johnston's public library

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## Dear Melody,

I wanted to thank you for the excellent support you and OLIS have provided for the residents of Johnston. Working with a small but active community would have been impossible without the programs and funding from OLIS. Through the Continuing Education programs, I have been able to keep abreast of vital issues related to serving children in public libraries, without having to return to school. I've also benefited immensely from participating in all the *Mother Goose* trainings and hope to find funding to continue to share my experience with our patrons. Our Youth Services Assistant has been able to attend the Young Adult Roundtable, a practical program that supplements her MLS classes.

I am confident in thanking you on behalf of our patrons who are the beneficiaries of so many services from OLIS. Our patrons are constantly amazed that they have access to any public library with their CLAN cards and also that we'll have it delivered to their library of choice instead of making them trek across the state. Several families involved in National History Day have commented on the delivery system as an integral part of their projects. One of the groups, who represented Rhode Island in Washington, D.C., told us "the library was invaluable" and they "would not have been able to start or finish their project without the collections and services your library provides".

Those not yet ready to read or research have also benefited greatly from the program subsidies from OLIS. Through the great promotions and talented performers that OLIS hires, we see more new faces every summer.

Simply put, I could not serve the numbers of patrons that I do without OLIS's help. I am grateful for your efforts.

Most sincerely,

Carolyn M Tarpey Youth Services Librarian

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